



**McKEE TREATY CAIRN
BLENHEIM, ONTARIO, CANADA**

This cairn, standing in front of the gates of Blenheim's Memorial Park, commemorates the treaty made by Alexander McKee on the 19th May, 1790, with the Chipewa, Ottawa, Pottawatomie and Huron Indians, when a great tract of land, comprising most of the present counties of Essex, Kent and Elgin, and part of Middlesex, was peacefully acquired by His Britannic Majesty, George III, for \$4,800, paid in trade goods, to provide homes for expatriated United Empire Loyalists. Blenheim is the approximate geographic centre of this richest part of Southwestern Ontario which once sold so cheaply.

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